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APPLICATION OF SPECTRUM ADVANCED SERVICES, LLC TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC INTERCONNECTED VOIP SERVICES IS NOT AUTOMATICALLY GRANTED

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On April 11, 2022, Spectrum Advanced Services, LLC (Spectrum), filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) requesting authority, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol service(s), known as Spectrum Voice home phone service and Spectrum Voice business phone service, in Hawaii (the Hawaiian Homelands).¹ On May 10, 2022, the Commission released a public notice seeking comment on the Application and stating that the Application would be automatically granted on June 10, 2022.² Comments in opposition to the Application were filed by the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, State of Hawaii (Consumer Advocate)³ and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, State of Hawaii which substantively joined the Consumer Advocate's comments.⁴ The Commission requires additional time to complete its review. Accordingly, the Application as filed with the Commission will not be automatically granted.⁵

For further information, contact Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), Kimberly.Jackson@fcc.gov, of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 applications, please visit https://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/domestic-section-214-discontinuance-service.

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¹ See Section 63.71 Application of Spectrum Advanced Services, LLC, WC Docket No. 22-156 (filed April 11, 2022) (Application), https://files.fcc.gov/ecfs/download/1c706a3b-24c3-4afc-8531-3ec4045f2213.pdf?orig=true&pk=cb77b2ec-1a58-dbc6-139b-ad192cfd5d9b.

² See https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-22-515A1.pdf.

³ See https://files.fcc.gov/ecfs/download/be0f5c22-9fda-4775-a37a-5573dd0f1259?orig=true&pk=cb77b2ec-1a58-dbc6-139b-ad192cfd5d9b.

⁴ See https://files.fcc.gov/ecfs/download/17a0c06c-ec4e-4aaa-a7e3-fa9a235554fc?orig=true&pk=cb77b2ec-1a58-dbc6-139b-ad192cfd5d9b.

⁵ Section 63.71(f) of the Commission's rules states, in relevant part, that such applications to discontinue, reduce or impair service "shall be automatically granted on the 31st day... unless the Commission has notified the applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective." 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(f). Our removal of Spectrum's application from the automatic grant process should not be construed as a final determination on the merits of Spectrum's request for authority to discontinue service.